से कम मेजर भ्रष्टाचार के मामलों में क्या सरकार मंत्री स्तर से इसको मोनिटर करने की कोई व्यवस्था करेगी और उसके लिए क्या कोई कालबद्ध योजना बनाएगी कि इस पीरियड के अन्दर अंतिम रूप से उसका निष्पादन कर लेंगे जब तक कि मामला कोर्ट में नहीं है ? इस बिन्दु पर मैं सरकार का जवाब चाहता हूं।

श्री माधव राव सिंधिया : मैं इस बात से पूरी तरह से सहमत हूं कि जल्दी से जल्दी कार्यवाही होनी चाहिए । परंतु जो प्रक्रिया है उसके अनुसार हमको चलना पड़ेगा । यह सब केसेज जो पेंडिज हैं इनको मिनिटर लेवल से ही मोनिटर करने का हम प्रयास कर रहे हैं । इसके कुछ नतीजे भी हुए हैं । पहली अगस्त को छः ऐसे केसेज थे पेनल्टी के जो एक साल से ऊपर के थे । और मोनिटरिंग के पश्चात् पहली नवम्बर को, तीन महीने बाद इन 6 केसेज में से सिर्फ एक केस रह गया और पहली दिसम्बर को इसके अलावा एक भी केस नहीं बचा है जो एक साल से ऊपर पूरा न हुआ हो।

SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Sir, five years have passed to speed up this Division enquiry. Whether the Government would consider setting up of I would not say a separate committee, but some other kind of machinery which has to be evolved by the Railway Department, in view of the nature and gravity of the offences to deal with them speedily?

SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Sir, as I said earlier, it is upto the Parliament to make law of the land; and it is upto the Supreme Court to interpret it. I quite agree with the hon. Member that there has been inordinate delay. We are following the process in accordance with the law of the land.. *(Interruptions)*.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question is: Whether the Minister is doing anything about it?

SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Sir, I can only act in accordance with the law of the land as decided by the hon. Members of this House and the other House.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Q. No 322.

Change of decision to purchase Boeing 757

*322. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in mid 1984 a high level committee headed by the then Air Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh had after a detailed evaluation, recommended 206 seated twin engine Boeing 757 as the 'most suited' intermediate capacity plane for the Indian Airlines;

(b) whether it is also a fact that though a letter of intent was issued to the Boeing company for a dozen Boeing 757, the offer was withdrawn cancelling the decision and, instead, a letter of intent was issued to a French company for the supply of 31 A 320 aircraft; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for changing the earlier decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir..

(b) A letter of intent earlier issued to the Boeing Company by the Indian Airlines, subject to Government approval has since been cancelled and a fresh letter of intent has been issued to M|s. Airbus Industries for the purchase of A-320 aircraft.

(c) This was done because of the techno-economic advantages of the Airbus A-320 aircraft over the Boeing 757 aircraft offer.

SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Sir, when the decision in favour of Boeing 757 was taken, it was taken after a full evaluation by a high level committee which was headed by Air

Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh comprised other people including the Secretary in the Civil Aviation Ministry. This was later on endorsed by the Board of Directors, Indian Airlines as well as the Cabinet. Therefore, I would like to know what were the reasons which prompted the Ministry to change its stand?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir it is true that as mentioned by the hon. Member it was first considered by the committee. But there were some technical advantages of the Airbus A-320 aircraft ove rthe Boeing 757 aircraft which came to the knowledge of the Ministry. There were also a few advantages in terms of money which was roughly over Rs. 200 crores. And that is one of the reasons for the purchase of A-320 aircraft. Then this Airbus A-320 aircraft is of a latest technology whereas the Boeing 757 is not.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: When the Minister for Civil Aviation said that the techno-economic advantages of the Airbus A-320 aircraft over the Boeing 757 was taken into account while placing the order, I was amazed In spite of the replies given by the Minister of Civil Aviation in Parliament on many questions on the subject that Boeing 757 has been accepted has now changed their stand. I think anybody is going to be fooled by this sort of reply by the Honourable Minister. I would like to know, whether the Boeing Company has offered to buy back the old Boeing 757 as part of the deal? Sir, by inducting these Airbus A-320 aircrafts which will be much heavier requires more airports. I think each airport will cost roughly Rs. 15 million for construction. Then, we also require more group equipment at each of these airports which will cost roughly Rs. 6 million. I do not know why you have suddenly changed your decision? What made you change your decision? Is it because of the spate of Boeing Aircrashes that made you change your mind? Then there is same logic explanation to it, otherwise after a Committee sat over it—running battle has been going in between these Companies for the last two years that you have all of a sudden realised that the Airbus Aircraft is better?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Your time is over.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, it is not true that we will be incurring any cost on the Airbus or the equipment. All the Airbuses which we are going to purchase from the Airbus Industry our Airports are competent to handle them and there is going to be no extra cost. I would like to inform the hon'ble Member that when the offer of the Boeing Company was considered, at that time, Airbus production was not brought to the knowledge of the Committee and Airbus is a latest technology and we will not go in for anything, which is not the latest technology and the Government of India is saving money.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: If the Government is all-knowing, then why did you appoint the Committee?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: That does not mean we can close our eyes if something better comes.

श्री विठ्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव : सभापति महोदय, मुझे बड़ी खुशी है कि सरकार इक्तीस ए-320 विमान खरीद रही है इससे हमारे देश की एयर ट्रांसपोर्ट सर्विस इलेक्ट्रिक हो जाएगी। इसके लिए मैं सरकार का अभिनंदन करता हूं। उसके साथ साथ मैं यह जानाना चाहता हूं कि इस एअर बस के आने के बाद क्या इसको हमारे देश की वायुदूत सर्विस पर भी जोड़ा जाएगा। (व्यवधान) सुनिये (व्यवधान) आप तो औरंगाबाद को पीछे रखना चाहते हैं। हम नहीं रहने देंगे। मेरा दूसरा सवाल यह है कि हमारे देश में इतनी टेक्नोलोजी उपलब्ध है कि हम बहुत सोफिस्टीकेटेड एअर प्लेनस भी बनाते हैं यह जो एयर बस हम खरीद कर

रहे हैं इसमें फारेन एक्सचेंज खर्च होता है क्या यह सम्भव नहीं है कि इस इंडस्ट्री में एअर बस इंडस्ट्री और एअरक्राफट इंडस्ट्री को बढ़ावा दिया जाए ? क्या इसे इंडीजिनियसली मेनुफेक्चर करने की कोई सम्भावना है जिससे हम फारेन एक्सचेंज बचा सकें ?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, Airbuses cannot be used on Vayudoot Service, but we recently went into an agreement with the Dornier and transfer of technology is one of the clauses. Then we are going to manufacture Dornier which will be used for the Vayudoot Service.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Mr Chairman, Sir in the case of Boeing 757 there was a Committee of the then Air Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh and their recommendation was accepted by the Government, and subsequently, the Government of India has decided to purchase Airbus A 320. I would like to know from the Hon'ble Minister whether the Committee went into the feasibility, echnical superioity etc. of Airbus A 320 or is it only a decision if the Ministry because in the case of the previous Boeing 757, there was a Committee? What were the various Companies which were considered by the Committee headed by the then Air Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh? Why was the Airbus Company excluded from the purview of the consideration by the Air Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh Committee?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, actually, there is no doubt about the fact that Boeing Company was considered at that time, by the same Committee but the new Aircraft and the Airbus also was considered, by the Committee and I would like to inform the Hon'ble Member that the Airbus 320 was not cosidered initially because the Airbus 320 was launched only in July 1984 and there was definite adantage and because of the advantage and because of the money invalid, we were able to decide on this thing.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Sir, I would like to know whether the Committee went into it? He has not answered the question.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: I want a categorical aswer. Boeing 757 was considered by the Air Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh Committee. I would like to know... (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: If you had been a little patient, I would have myself put the question.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: You plase put it Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: They want to know whether a committee went into the merits of Airbus 320. Just a committee was appointed to examine the merit of Boeing 757, was a committee appointed to look into the merits of 320?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: As soon as the advantage points were brought to the notice of the Board of Indian Airlines—no doubt the offer of the Airbus was considered by the Indian Airlines Board.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Was a committee appointed? Or was it an *ad hoc* purchase by the Government? (*Interruptions*) Parliament is the supreme body (*Interruptions*):

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Sir, are you satisfied with the answer?

(*Interruptions*)

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will get the answer for you. The question specifically put to the Minister is: was there an expert committee appointed to evaluate Airbus 320—yes or no?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Yes, even the earlier committee, which you had referred to of which Air Chief Marshal Dilbagh Singh was a member was a sub-committee of the Board of Indian Airlines because Dilbagh Singh was a member of the Indian Airlines Board. You must remember this

that this offer of the Airbus was also considered by the Board of Indian Airlines. .....

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: You please reply to this.....

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Let me tell hon. Members.. (*Interruptions*)

They may be excited, but I would like to tell him....

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: It is not a question of excitement. It is a question of spending Rs. 500 crores of tax-payers' money without having a committee. (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: You must allow the Minister to give his full answer. After that I will allow you. I have been allowing you, but only after he finishes. You pervent him from giving an answer. It is not correct. You please wait.

SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Both are bearded lions.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: A committee of the Board of the Indian Airlines went into the offer. I would like to tell you that we found that the offer of the Airbus is much better than Boeing..

SHRI K. MOHANAN: Who decides? Is it the Government? (*Interruptions*)

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: No expert committee went into it... (*Interruptions*).

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gurupadaswamy will now put a supplementary. He will carry your battle.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: I would like my friend, the Minister, not to run away from the main question. The question is whether the same procedure followed in respect of the Boeing earlier an expert committee which considered the feasibility, the cost, the price, the utility of the Airbus in the same way as the Boeing was considered. I would like to have a categorical answer.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, the initial offer of the Boeing was also approved by the Board of Directors of Air-India. (*Interruptions*) And this offer of the Airbus was also considered by the same Board.

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Are you satisfied with the answer, Sir?

SHRI K. MOHANAN: Why did they appoint a committee in the case of Boeing if the Board was so competent?

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: I want a categorical answer. He should not be evasive.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr . Mohanan will now put a supplementary.

SHRI K. MOHANAN: The hon. Minister has stated that the Board of Directors of the Indian Airlines have considered both the offers of Boeing and Airbus. If the Board of Directors of the Indian Airlines and Air-India are competent to take a decision in these matters, why had they appointed an expert committee in the case of Boeing?

When the Government overruled the recommendations of the expert committee regarding the Boeing, why have they taken a decision of a director of the Board alone on the Airbus issue without appointing another commuttee to consider the merits of the two?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: I would like to inform the honourable Members that the expert committee which was formed is a sub-committee of the Board and the Airbus offer was approved by the Board. (*Interruptions*) The sub-committee approved the Boeing offer but the Board approved the offer of the Airbus...

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: We want a Calling-Attention on this subject.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now Dr. Shanti Patel. (*Interruptions*) I am allowing every supplementary. I am giving every body an opportunity.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Let there be a separate discussion on this may be, a half-an-hour discussion.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Dr. Shanti Patel, you put your question.

DR. SHANTI G. PATEL: I want to know why an expert committee was not appointed to evaluate the price, the technology and other aspects which are generally gone into by an expert committee and then a decision taken to purchase the Airbus.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: I would first like to make the record very clear..

DR. SHANTI G. PATEL: Yes or no?

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have put your question. Let the Minister answer it.

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: The sub-committee members were appointed by the Board, who cleared the Boeing. All the members of the sub-committee are members of the Board which cleared the Airbus. That clarification must be made clear...

SHRI SURESH KALMADI: That was due to Government pressure.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think we have had enough discussion on this. Let us go to the next question...

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS: We want a discussion on this. Let there be a half-an-hour discussion.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will give a half-an hour discussion on this. Now let us go to Question No. 323.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : मान्यवर, इस सम्बन्ध में मेरी एक शिकायत है, यह मेरा कष्ट है कि हमारा दफ्तर जो संसद-भवन में कमरा नंबर 130 और 134 है, आज पांच दिन से बंद है, कमरे में ताला लगा दिया गया है, बाहर से सील लगा दी गयी है और हम लोगों को इसकी कोई सूचना नहीं दी गयी है, लेकिन उसके बाद.... (**व्यवधान**) I will be allowed by the Chairman

मेरे जितने मान्यवर, कागजात हैं इस प्रश्न के जवाब से सम्बन्धित क्योंकि मेरा अधिकार है पूरक प्रश्न करने का सप्लीमेंटरी प्रश्न करने तो इसके सम्बन्ध में जितने भी कागजात है, अखबार की कटिंग हैं, सब मान्यवर, मेरे उस कमरे में बन्द पडे हुए है और इसलिए बहुत दिक्कत हो रही है। इस ओर आपके माध्यम से माननीय सदन का ध्यान आकर्षित करना चाहता हूं।

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have not allowed any point of order. I have allowed Mr. Satya Prakash Malaviya to ventilate his grievance. He says when this question came up, his papers were locked up...

Therefore, he has said that he has not been able to put a supplementary. I said that I would give him full opportunity. Please allow him to express his grievance. What do you lose? There is nothing. Yes, Mr. Malvaya, please put your question.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : मैं यह कह रहा था कि इस प्रश्न से सम्बन्धित हमारे सारे कागजात बन्द हैं राज्य सभा के सदस्यों के रूम में और राज्यसभा के सदस्य के रूप में जो प्रश्न पूछना है वह पूछने में घोर दिक्कत हो रही हैं। जो पूरक प्रश्न पूछना है अब वह मैं बाद में पूछूंगा।

MR. CHAIRMAN: We shall take up the next question, Question No. 324. He is not putting any supplementary. Mr. Minister, please sit down. Next Question. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI K. MOHANAN: Sir: you allow others to put supplementaries. Let him answer. (*Interruptions*). If Mr. Malaviya does not put any supplementary, others may not put Questions.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Sir, I have to put a question. (Interruptions).

MR. CHAIRMAN: Satya Prakshji has said that he has no supplementaries to ask. But he must first put the question and then only the Minister can reply, Satya Prakashji. You put the question. Only then supplementaries can be allowed.

Use of Banned spoiled and Expired Drugs by the world University service Health center Delhi

*323. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the findings of the enquiries conducted by different agencies about the use of banned, spoiled or expired drugs by the World University service Health Centre of the Delhi University; and

(b) what action has been taken against the officials if found responsible for the use of discarded medicines?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI KRISHNAKUMAR): (a) and (b) According to the findings of the Delhi University, which administratively couducts World University Health Centres:

(i) No date expired and spoiled drug was issued to any patient.

(ii) A small stock of veganin tablets containing phenacetin was issued to the WUS Dispensary from the World University Health Centre Store on 18-4-1984. Balance stock was written off on 1-8-84.

According to the University authorities, no specific responsibility could be fixed on any particular officer for distribution of veganin tablets.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : विरोध में मैं पूरक प्रश्न नहीं पूछ रहा हूं ।

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, Mr. GURUPADASWAMY.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Sir, this matter has been pending for a long time and there has been considerable amount ofcorrespondence between the Minister and the Members of Parliament. Is it a fact that one Dr. Suri was suspended from sunvice because he exposed the activities of certain officials who issued discarded drugs to the patients? Is it not fact?

SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR: Sir, the main question is about the enquiries conducted by different agencies about the use of banned, spoiled or time-expired drugs by this Centre. The inquiry has revealed that there have been about inspections and inquiries and these have determined that no banned, spoiled or time-expired drugs have been issued by this Centre to any patient and the inquiry reports are clear on this point, and the allegations have not been substantiated. The Ministry is aware *inter alia* that a doctor called Mr. Suri is under suspension.

SHI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Why? Because he exposed this?

SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR: Sir, I will require notice for this.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes. Dr. Bapu Kaldate.

DR. BAPU KALDATE: Sir, in the answer it has been mentioned that a small stock of veganin tablets were given. Can you tell me how much from that stock itself? you say that according to the University authorities no specific responsibility has been fixed. That stock has already been distributed, however small that stock may be and if it has been distributed by somebody, the responsibility for that lies definitely lies with somebody. Then why is the University saying that the responsibility does not lie with any body and that they cannot specify? The only point here is that since December 1983, this quesion has been coming up now and then in this House. I would like to ask the Government why, instead of going through all these methods, the Government why. instead of going thruogh all these methods, the Government does not go in for a full-